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Dear Sir/Madam:

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1. Petition for Submission of Formal Drawings Prior to Publication of Application;
2. 2 sheets of formal drawings for Figures 1 and 2; and
3. Return Postcard.

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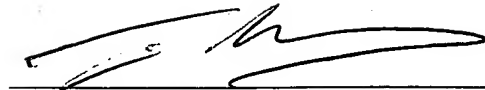
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